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SUBJECT:LETTER FROM SECRETARY BROWN TO MINISTER SCHOLTEN

1. PLEASE DELIVER FOLLOWING MESSAGE FROM SECRETARY BROWN
TO MINISTER SCHOLTEN:
2. BEGIN TEXT. DEAR COLLEAGUE:

PLEASE ACCEPT MY BEST WISHES ON THE OCCASION OF YOUR APPOINT-
MENT AS MINISTER OF DEFENSE. I LOOK FORWARD TO MEETING WITH
YOU DURING THE MAY DPC AND SUMMIT MEETINGS OR, IF YOUR
SCHEDULE PERMITS, AT AN EARLIER DATE.

AS YOU KNOW, WE ARE APPROACHING KEY DECISION POINTS ON CER-
TAIN PROGRAMS CRITICAL TO THE CONTINUED STRENGTH AND
VITALITY OF THE ALLIANCE, PARTICULARLY THE LONG TERM DEFENSE
PROGRAM. WE SEE IT AS A ONE-TIME OPPORTUNITY TO PUT NATO ON
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A NEW COURSE OF GREATER "ALLIANCE COOPERATION," WHICH THE
NETHERLANDS HAS ADVOCATED MORE STRONGLY IN THE PAST THAN ANY
OTHER ALLY. IN ADDITION, THERE ARE THE UNRESOLVED CRITICAL
SHORT TERM INITIATIVES CALLING FOR MOVEMENT OF THE NETHER-
LANDS BRIGADE FORWARD AND YOUR PURCHASE OF A NEW LONG RANGE
MARITIME PATROL AIRCRAFT AS WELL AS THE NATO AEW PROGRAM .
NOTWITHSTANDING THE MANY DEMANDS THAT YOU SURELY FACE, I

HOPE THAT YOU WILL FIND IT POSSIBLE TO GIVE YOUR PERSONAL
ATTENTION TO THE RESOLUTION OF THESE ISSUES.

I AM SURE THAT YOUR ADVICE AND COUNSEL WILL BE EXTREMELY
VALUABLE TO THE ALLIANCE IN THE MONTHS AND YEARS AHEAD. IF
ANY MEMBERS OF MY STAFF CAN BE OF ASSISTANCE TO YOU OR YOUR
STAFF, PLEASE DO NOT HESITATE TO CALL ON ME.

WARM PERSONAL REGARDS. SINCERELY, HAROLD BROWN. END TEXT.

3. SIGNED ORIGINAL FOLLOW BY POUCH. COOPER

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